

## HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JULY 12, 2005

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met July 12, 2005, by published call in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pamela Lancaster.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Chairman Pamela Lancaster.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were Jim Eriksen, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster and Robert Rye. Scott Arnold was not present. Also present was a representative from the *Grand Island Independent* and Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham.

Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to add an emergency item to the agenda to accept the resignation of Dan Hostler Hall County Surveyor. Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Arnold absent for the vote. Motion carried. This will be placed on as item number 13.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Eriksen made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Accept and place on file the minutes of the June 28 meeting
2. 5b Approve the diesel fuel tax claim in the amount of \$1,645.00
3. 8 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Semi Annual Report
4. 15a Approve the final plat and Resolution #05-0028 for PRD Subdivision
5. 15b Approve the final plat and Resolution #05-0029 for VanMeter/Manfull Subdivision
6. 15c Approve the final plat and Resolution #05-0030 for Phoenix Acres Subdivision
7. 15d Approve the final plat and Resolution #05-0031 for Ski Enterprise Subdivision
8. 23 Accept and place on file the office reports from the Hall County Sheriff, Juvenile Services, Clerk of the District Court and County Court
9. 24 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
10. 25 Accept and place on file communications as received.
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Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Arnold absent for the vote. Motion carried.

### OFFICE REPORT HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES JUNE 2005

JUVENILE REFERRALS	11 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	1 JUVENILE
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	1 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	207 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$870.00

OFFICE REPORT  
HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES  
JUNE 2005

JUVENILE REFERRALS	7 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	34 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED FOR MONTH	\$00.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$1,900.00

OFFICE REPORT  
COUNTY COURT  
JUNE 2005

FINES (CO.)	\$ 57,693.38
OVERLOAD FINES	510.00
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	1,489.57
WORK RELEASE FEES	1,003.00
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	14.00
FINES (CITY)	11,527.31
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	328.00
BOND FORFEITURES	3,194.96
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	41.50
TOTAL	\$75,802.42

OFFICE REPORT  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
JUNE 2005

COURT COSTS	\$2,910.66
10% BOND	275.00
FINES	1,761.81
PHOTO COPIES	218.99
INTEREST	601.72
BOARD OF PRISIONERS	1,379.00
BOND FORFEITURE	
TOTAL	\$7,147.18

OFFICE REPORT  
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF  
MAY 2005

TOTAL FEES MILEAGE & MISC	\$14,160.76
COPIES	57.00
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	20.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	3,330.00

Scott Arnold arrived at the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation.

Louise Miller, 1104 West Charles requested to speak to the board regarding the City of Grand Island taking over the Hall County Park. She stated that the park has been in Hall county for many years and was once known as Schimmer's Lake. The City has enough parks and she asked the County to find funding for the park instead of funding Stuhr Museum or the health department.

5 DISCUSS AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT- Jeffries stated the board received a draft copy of this agreement with NRCS this is an agreement to place rock around bridge abutments throughout the county. He stated that the cost to the County would be in-kind services.

Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the agreement with NRCS and authorize the Chair to sign. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

6. DISCUSSION REGARDING HALL COUNTY PARK PROJECT – Jeffries stated that the Central Platte Natural Resource District owns the dike on the edge of the park. The had contacted Hall County regarding concerns on the trees and proposed removing all of the trees 30 feet from the center of the board and are also proposing to rebuild the entire dike. The new dike will be 14 feet wide instead of 12 feet wide and there was also a proposal to build a hike and bike trail on the dike but that will not be possible unless another entity wants to provide the funding for this. The NRD will place evergreen trees along the dike once it is completed.

7. AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MID AMERICA BENEFITS – This agreement is for the 2005-2006 health insurance renewal.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to authorize the chair to sign the agreement. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

9 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – HUMANE SOCIETY REQUEST – The committee met regarding the request from the Humane Society for the additional expenses that they have incurred with the neglected dogs, and at this time it is the opinion that the county does not have any obligation for the additional expenses, but there may be a moral obligation. The committee decided to wait until all of the costs and the donations are received and look at this later.

Eriksen stated that it is too early to come with a recommendation. The Humane Society can submit a claim with the costs and it will be addressed later. Lancaster stated that the Hall County Sheriff's Office and The Hall County Attorney's Office assisted the Humane Society with this situation.

10 DISCUSS AND APPROVE APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO THE HALL COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – Jeffries stated that the conditional use committee met with Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham regarding the duties of the board of adjustment. They are still reviewing the issue and would like to postpone this for 30 days. Arnold stated that there is a concern on the duties that the board possesses. There are strict guidelines that they must follow. Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham stated that the statutory duties of the board of adjustment have changed from a year ago and it is important to review this. They will come back with this issue in 30 days.

11. UPDATE ON DONIPHAN ROAD – Hartman questioned if there was not a department head to build the bridges if the committee was going to consider build the road now.

13. EMMERGENCY ITEM – ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE RESIGNATION OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR DAN HOSTER – Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to accept the resignation of Dan Hostler.

Jeffries stated that the public works committee contacted Deputy County Attorney Micelle Oldham regarding the resignation and she informed then that the county board has 45 days to appoint some one. This is from the day that the resignation is accepted. Normally the deputy will take the place of the elected official but that position is also vacant. The position must be filed by a registered surveyor or engineer.

Hartman expressed concern that no one may apply because of the financial position and the condition of the equipment.

Jeffries stated that the board still has to accept the resignation. Michelle Oldham stated that since it was received to late for the regular agenda items she would not have a problem accepting it in two weeks.

Eriksen questioned if the board has to advertise for an engineer or a surveyor. Michelle stated that the elected position is for a registered surveyor and it that person is not an engineer his deputy must be a licensed engineer. The County must have both positions.

Arnold stated that the job description is clearly spelled out and the pay is established by resolution. Discussion was held on the advertising of the position.

Jeffries stated that the board could advertise for a month and that would still give two weeks for the board to make an appointment.

The vote on the motion to accept the resignation was taken. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all votes yes and Hartman voted no. Motion carried.

Discussion was held and the board will advertise for the position for one month and make a decision on the interviews later.

9:50 A.M. Held a Board of Equalization meeting.

16 COMMENCE AUDIT OF BI WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND ACTION ON CLAIM AUDIT  
Eriksen made a motion and Arnold seconded to approve the bi weekly pay claims.

Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all votes yes and Hartman voted no. Motion carried.

#### BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS – Hartman – none

Humiston – None

Eriksen – He attended the union negotiations, the monthly meeting of the Health Board and the joint meeting of the health department with the other counties and the City of Grand Island.

Rye - no report

Jeffries – He attended the condition use committee meeting, the classification committee meeting and the joint meeting of health department.

Arnold – He reported that the criminal justice committee met and will schedule another meeting around the 26<sup>th</sup> of July. He stated that he was not able to attend the health board meeting because of his work schedule but that will change as he will be working the night shift, so that will help with his meeting schedule.

Lancaster - She reported that she attended the classification committee meeting and they reviewed the regulations of the committee and it can change an employee's classification and place them on a range for that job description. She has also stated that she has visited all of the senior citizens centers and distributed the prescription cards the cards are also available at several locations in the administration building.

10:00 A.M. Held a board of Corrections meeting.

The board will break until 10:30 a.m. for the jail presentation.

JAIL PRESENTATION – 10:30 A.M. Three fold presentation DLR first, regarding the revised jail facility and Kirkpatrick Pettis regarding the bond financing and also information regarding the safety center

Joe Haines and Mark Berglund distributed information to the board members and presented maps of the proposed facility and a site layout and a floor plan of the new facility. Since the bond issue failed they have addressed an alternate plan. They are now proposing to lower the number of beds to 296 and they have proposed to lower the cost by 30%. There are two major components, the administrative building and the housing units, space for expansion, adequate parking and a security buffer.

Showed the site layout since the bond issue failed needed an alternate plan lowered beds to 296 and lowered cost by 30% showing the location two major components administrative and housing for the inmates. There will be space for expansion; three parking areas also there will be a security buffer. The following items were noted in the presentation:

- Total square feet will be 86,800
- Total of 296 beds
- Housing will include minimum, maximum and work release cells

- Female and maximum will use the modified supervision method
- Master control is in the administrative building
- There will be two levels of cells
- Visitation will be accomplished through TV monitors
- Food service, laundry and medical services will be in the administrative building these facilities are designed to allow for future expansion
- Book area is secured and once inmates are booked they are moved to the housing area
- Work release will have its own entrance
- There are a total of eight contact and non-contact visitation rooms

The County and City have agreed on a common driveway and parking for the jail and safety center facility.

All of the areas have been broken down and assigned a cost per square foot. The cost for the brick and mortar is \$15 million and the total projected cost will be \$21,834,870 million.

Dan Smith with Kirkpatrick Pettis, bond counsel was present and stated that once the bond issue is approved the total cost will be \$22,095,000 million dollars. He stated that the estimated tax rate for the bond issue would be \$.049 for the 2006 2007 fiscal year.

He noted the following estimated tax for the following properties:

<u>Property Value</u>	<u>Cost Annually</u>	<u>Cost Monthly</u>
\$ 75,000	\$36.75	\$3.06
\$100,000	\$49.00	\$4.08
\$125,000	\$61.25	\$5.10

These amounts are only an estimate because there is no final determination on the valuation for Hall County at this time. Lancaster stated that when this goes to the public for vote there will be a definite number. It was questioned if there are remodeling dollars for the old facility in the bond issue and Lancaster stated that the only dollars for remodeling will be for the holding spaces that will be used for court appearances. Eriksen noted that this will be a 25-year bond issue.

Corrections Director Dave Arnold presented a power point presentation on the jail facilities concerns.

Hartman questioned if the new facility will be able to operate with the same number or personnel and Arnold stated that he will need some more employees but the facility will be more efficient.

Jeffries noted that the county will also attempt to fill the new jail and this will generate revenue for the county

ROLL CALL FOR QUARTERLY JAIL TOUR - Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye will attend the tour Hartman will not.

12 EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Jeffries made a motion and Erickson seconded to go into executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Hermiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. executive session

11:50 a.m. Jeffries made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Hermiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and rye seconded to present the performance evaluation to the employee. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Hermiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

The board recessed for the jail tour. The meeting will be adjourned from there. The next meeting will be July 28, 2005.

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Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk